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TO: UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Brian McKeon
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Dear Myrtle,

This document is filed in response to the Office Action dated 24/Jan/2008 that concerned amendments to claims.

I have left phone messages and subsequently been in brief email contact with Amare Tabor, the examiner of the patent application.

In October 2007 I happened to notice in the PAIR system that correspondence to me had been returned as undeliverable. And the electronic record indicated that this was probably due to use of a local 41c US postage for my overseas address.

I therefore responded on 11/Nov/2007 to the USPTO and I have attached this response. This was to address the amendments to claims.

When I received your letter in January it sounded as if the 11/Nov communication had not been received.

I then tried to contact Amare Tabor via phone. In the subsequent email replies it appeared that you had not received the 11/Nov communication.

Could you please advise if the attached communication is sufficient to allow the application process to continue or if there is something else that I need to do.

If you require this I am sure that I could find out the DHL or UPS shipment record and get the USPTO acceptance signature as I did verify that it had been received last November.

Yours Sincerely,

Brian McKeon

Attachments:

1. prior correspondence from Nov 2007.



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Dear Sir,

This document is filed in response to the Office Action dated 18/Oct/2007. I noted in PAIR that this correspondence had been returned as undeliverable. The address used by the USPTO was correct and I do not understand the reason for the failed delivery. In any case, I was able to access the correspondence on-line and I am able to respond.

Thank you for the chance to correct the filing error in revision of the claims based on your original observations.

As per your checking of 4 and 37 CFR 1.121 I have attached only the revised claims section of the patent application.

In the process of adding the change annotation I noticed that the amendments to the first claim may have added a new concept. That concept is in the specification body but was not in the original claim. In the attached claims I have therefore restricted the amendment to claim 1 to points that were clarifications only and related to your original review.

I hope that the attached revised claims and information in my previous correspondence addresses your questions. If there are any of the above points that could be clarified via email or phone I can be contacted at brian.mckeon@sentrypm.com or on 415-370-5977.

Yours Sincerely

Brian McKeon

Attachments:

1. Updated claims with change notation